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Date of birth: 28th June 1986
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School & Academic Education

09/2012 – 2015 **King's College London, PhD in Political Economy**
London, United Kingdom Advisors: Mark Pennington and Adam Martin

05/2014 – 12/2015 **Research Institute for Industrial Economics**
Stockholm, Sweden Visiting PhD student

09/2011 – 09/2012 **Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Master's degree**
Madrid, Spain Economics of the Austrian School
GPA: 8.8 out of 10 (10 best)
Important Classes:
- Money & Banking (9,5/10), Price Theory & Microeconomics (9/10)

10/2007 – 04/2011 **Erfurt University, Bachelor of Arts**
Erfurt, Germany Majors: Economics and Social Sciences (6 semesters)
Minor: Law (2 semesters)
GPA: 1.3 (grading: 1.0 best; 4.0 worst)
Important classes:
- „International Political Economy" (grade: 1.3), „Financial Institutions" (grade: 1.3)

02/2010 – 06/2010 **Boğaziçi-University, exchange semester**
Istanbul, Turkey Management, International Trade, Economics, Political Science
Important classes:
- „Comparative Political Economy of Europe" (grade: 1.0), „Economic Integration and the European Union" (grade: 1.0)

08/2003 – 06/2006 **Merc@tor Berufskolleg (equivalent to ACT/ SAT/ A-levels)**
Moers, Germany Advanced courses: Maths and Informatics (final exam grade: 2.1)

08/1996 – 07/2003 **Realschule Rees** (equivalent to Junior High)
Rees, Germany

Awards

05/2013 **Leuchtturm Prize of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation (FNF)**
Berlin, Germany Prize for outstanding achievement as a scholarship holder (out of 5,000 scholarship holders)

01/2012 **The Decline of the Rule of Law & the Emergence of Regime Uncertainty**
Vaduz, Liechtenstein 2nd place in the Vernon Smith Prize essay contest (out of 85 submissions)

Teaching

07/2014 *Shenyang, China*	**Lecturer and Seminar Instructor in Economics at Northeastern University** week-long seminar for economics students
09/2013 – 04/2014 *London, UK*	**Teaching Assistant in 1st year undergraduate course Principles of Economics** Conductor Emily Skarbek, Department of Political Economy, King's College London.
02/2014 - 03/2013 *London, UK*	**Two lectures on GDP, Unemployment, and Inflation & Monetary Theory, Institutions and Policy for 1st year undergraduate course Principles of Economics**

Academic Publications

Die Bedeutung und Rolle von Unternehmertum in der Marktwirtschaft in Hoffmann, Christian (Ed.): „Unternehmertum: Der Weg zum Wohlstand", LIT Verlag, Zürich, Forthcoming, 2015.

Book review of *Deficits, Debt, and Democracy: Wrestling with Tragedy on the Fiscal Commons. By Richard E. Wagner*. Journal of the History of Economic Thought, Vol. 36, No. 4, December 2014.

Synopsis of James Buchanan's *What Should Economist Do?* in Prollius, Michael von (Ed.): "The Standards: Klassische Werke der Ökonomie Zusammengefasst", BoD, Norderstedt, 2014.

Hayek's The Sensory Order, Crisis, and Resilience, in Legatum Institute (ed.): "What Would Hayek Say Today?", Charles Street Symposium, London, 2013.

The Limitations of Regulation, in Bunyk, Mykola (ed.): "Economic and Bureaucracy in an Open Society", Regional Institute of Public Administration, Lviv, 2012.

"Probleme des etablierten Notenbankensystems – Free Banking als Alternative?" Liberal Verlag, Berlin, 3rd Edition, 2012 [2010].

Work in Progress

Entrepreneurship: A Creative Disruption Within Economics

The Decline of the Rule of Law and the Emergence of Regime Uncertainty

Regime Uncertainty in the Great Recession: A Market Process Approach. Co-author Adam Martin.

Does Entrepreneurship Facilitate more Entrepreneurship? Co-author Per Bylund

Non-Academic Publications

How Lehman Brothers' Crash Five Years Ago Made Me Appreciate Markets, in Young Voices, Media Outlet for the Next Generation, 2013.

Undermining Free Trade Agreement due to PRISM is Dangerous, in Atlantic Community, The Open Think Tank on Foreign Policy, 2013.

Kein Versager: Monopole, öffentliche Güter und Externalitäten: wo der Markt nicht funktioniert, muss der Staat intervenieren. Heisst es. Wenn es nur so einfach wäre, in Schweizer Monat, Nr. 994, Zürich, 2012.

Gewinner und Verlierer des Papiergeldsystems: Wie die Produktion des Scheingeldes einige wenige auf Kosten aller begünstigt, in Smart Investor, Nr. 4, Berlin, 2012.

Scholarships

08/2014 to 08/2015 Fairfax, USA	**Mercatus Center PhD Visiting Dissertation Fellow at George Mason University** http://grad.mercatus.org/graduate/dissertation-fellowships
08/2013 to 08/2014 *Arlington, USA*	**Adam Smith Fellowship** http://grad.mercatus.org/content/adam-smith-fellowships
04/2013 to present *Cologne, Germany*	**Postgraduate scholarship from the FNF** www.freiheit.org/Stipendien/175c9/index.html
04/2013 *Lahaina, USA*	**Young Scholars Program Recipient** travel scholarship to the Association for Private Enterprise Education conference
04/2012 to 04/2013 04/2013 to 04/2014 04/2014 to 04/2015 *Arlington, USA*	**Postgraduate scholarship Thomas W. Smith Fellow 2012, 2013, and 2014** www.theihs.org/humane-studies-fellowships
10/2008 to 09/2012 *Cologne, Germany*	**Undergraduate scholarship from the FNF** www.freiheit.org/Stipendien/175c9/index.html
06/2012 – 08/2012 *Baltimore, USA*	**Richard Seth Staley Educational Foundation Scholarship** travel scholarship to the "Scholarship and a Free Society" research seminar
09/2011 *Lviv, Ukraine*	**Hayek Fund Scholarship** travel scholarship to the "Economics & Bureaucracy in an Open Society" conference
02/2010 – 06/2010 *Istanbul, Turkey*	**Erasmus-scholarship for studying at the Boğaziçi-University**

Presentations and Participation at Academic Conferences and Seminars

2/2015 *Fairfax, USA*	**Paper presentation: Patterns of Crises: Legislative Voting, Urgency, and Errors – An Empirical Analysis of Law Making during the Great Recession** George Mason University paper workshop
1/2015 *Stockholm, Sweden*	**Paper presentation: Regime Uncertainty and the Great Recession** Ratio Institute
10/2014 *Arlington, USA*	**Symposium on Current Hayekian Scholarship** Mercatus Center at George Mason University
07/2014 *Beijing, China*	**Lecture on Stability without a Central-Bank: Theory of Free-Banking** Unirule Think Tank Beijing
07/2014 *Shanghai, China*	**Lecture on Introduction to Free-Banking** Shanghai Austrian Economics Summit
6/2014 *Fairfax, USA*	**Paper presentation: Voter Behavior in Times of Crisis** co-sponsored colloquium Mercatus Center and Liberty Fund
5/2014 *St. Gallen, Switzerland*	**Debate on Privacy – an outdated concept?** St. Gallen Symposium – Young Leaders Program

4/2014 *Arlington, USA*	**Liberty, Self-Governance, and Polycentricism: Institutional Economics** co-sponsored colloquium Mercatus Center and Liberty Fund
2/2014 *Fairfax, USA*	**Liberty and the Economics of Politics** co-sponsored colloquium Mercatus Center and Liberty Fund
12/2013 *London, UK*	**Paper presentation: *Hayek's Sensory Order, Crisis, and Resilience*** Charles Street Symposium at the Legatum Institute
3/2013 & 11/2013 *Fulda, Germany*	**F. A. Hayek Society's "Arguing for Freedom"** conducting a workshop on effective communication
10/2013 *Arlington, USA*	**Liberty and the Market Process** co-sponsored colloquium Mercatus Center and Liberty Fund
8/2013 *San Diego, USA*	**Understanding Hayek's Contribution to Liberty** Liberty Fund weeklong colloquium
8/2013 *Holland, USA*	**Liberty and Responsibility in Adam Smith** Liberty Fund weeklong colloquium
4/2013 *Lahaina, USA*	**Paper presentation: *Regime Uncertainty and Firm Heterogeneity*** Association of Private Enterprise Education conference
11/2012 *Leuven, Belgium*	**Presentation: Market Failure: Concepts and Misconceptions** Blue Monday Lecture – LVSV Leuven
11/2012 *Leuven, Belgium*	**Presentation: Socialist Calculation Debate** Autumn Seminar - Rothbard Institute
11/2012 *Arlington, USA*	**Public Choice and Government Failure** Institute for Humane Studies (IHS) and Liberty Fund colloquium
10/2012 *Potsdam, Germany*	**F.A. Hayek Society's "The Character of Economic Laws" Seminar** discussion leader on Mises' epistemology
9/2012 *Prague, Czech Republic*	**Mont Pèlerin Society – Annual Meeting** academic guest scholarship
6/2012 *Indianapolis, USA*	**Liberty, Public Policy, and the Blogosphere** Liberty Fund colloquium
6/2012 *Baltimore, USA*	**Scholarship and a Free Society - IHS** scholarship for an interdisciplinary research seminar for graduate students
5/2012 *Vienna, Austria*	**Liberalism, Institutional Design, and Religion** Liberty Fund Colloquium
3/2012 *West Sussex, UK*	**Liberty and Rights in Robert Nozick's 'Anarchy, State, and Utopia'** Liberty Fund colloquium
9/2011 *Lviv, Ukraine*	**Paper presentation: *The Limitations of Regulation*** Economics & Bureaucracy in an Open Society conference
9/2011 *Cologne, Germany*	**Book presentation: Introduction into Austrian Business Cycle Theory** Friedrich-Naumann-Foundation for Freedom seminar
8/2011 *Irvington, USA*	**Advanced Austrian Economics – Foundation for Economic Education** scholarship for a seminar about Austrian Economics

7/2011	**Liberty and Society – IHS**
Alabama, USA	scholarship for a seminar about philosophy, economics, etc.
4/2011	**Mont Pèlerin Society – Regional Meeting**
Buenos Aires, Argentina	academic guest scholarship

Skills & Expertise

German:	**Native Speaker**
English:	**Fluent**
Spanish:	**Lower intermediate** (Six weeks Spanish language intensive course at Worlds in Touch, Argentina; Weekly Spanish courses at University Rey Juan Carlos)
French:	**Basic knowledge** with the opportunity for improvement
Research interests:	Market-process theory, Virginia public choice, classical-liberal thought

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